**DISTANCE SCOUTING PROGRAMME 10**

**“HOME SWEET HOME – SUPER PATROL”**

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| **You have until** *'insert date to be completed here'* **to complete this programme. Follow the instructions carefully and you will be marked “present” for the programme, earn points for your Patrol and hopefully compete some advancement and prepare for upcoming programmes and camps. More importantly, HAVE FUN!!!** |

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| **Equipment required for programme:**   * A cell phone with internet access and WhatsApp access to your patrol WhatsApp Group and a stop watch * The ingredients for a tasty baked treat. A suggested recipe is included in the programme. * Paper and a writing implement * Your personal journal |

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| **The PL should, as always, designate who is doing what and, if nobody is doing an item (such as posting a training video) do this item so that the patrol can complete the programme. In this programme, the PL or Second MUST set up the Patrol-in-Council in the “Meeting” section of this programme.** |

You are entering week two of a lockdown in a hotel following your escape from an Indonesian island. Your fellow patrol members are in the hotel with you, but communication with them is limited to electronic means as you are all kept in strict isolation from one another.

Your patrol has kept itself entertained with small games and by preparing to be true scouts and make a difference to your community once the lockdown is over. Last week one of your patrol members put together a quiz for you to identify countries (or places that the patrol member thought were countries) using pictures. After scratching your head all last week the answers have finally been provided:

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| 1 | Can + adder = Canada | 17 | Lick + ten + stein = Liechtenstein |
| 2 | West in d’s = West Indies | 18 | Barley – r = Bali |
| 3 | Eyes + land = Iceland | 19 | Eye + sack – s + r = Iraq |
| 4 | Rush + a = Russia | 20 | China = China |
| 5 | Moos + ham + beak = Mozambique | 21 | Bell + gym = Belgium |
| 6 | Bananas – n – n + h + m = Bahamas | 22 | Singer + pour = Singapore |
| 7 | Tie + one = Taiwan | 23 | Baa + rain = Bahrain |
| 8 | New + seal + hand = New Zealand | 24 | In + deer = India |
| 9 | Holly – y + hand = Holland | 25 | Hungry = Hungary |
| 10 | Column + bee + a = Colombia | 26 | North + core + ear = North Korea |
| 11 | Bra + z + ill = Brazil | 27 | Camp + pooh + cheer = Kampuchea |
| 12 | Cue + baa = Cuba | 28 | Swede + n = Sweden |
| 13 | Whales = Wales | 29 | I + telly = Italy |
| 14 | Port + u + gull = Portugal | 30 | King Kong – Ki + Ho = Hong Kong |
| 15 | Room + mane + ear = Romania | 31 | Butt + swan + a = Botswana |
| 16 | Jam – m + pan = Japan | 32 | Grenade – e + a = Grenada |

**INSPECTION:**

Looking at the news you see that many people are down in the dumps, others are taking the challenge by the horns and making the best of things.

One of your patrol members reminds you that the eighth part of the Scout Law is particularly of importance in times like this.

Post a picture of yourself on your patrol WhatsApp Group showing that you are following the eighth part of the Scout Law (you do remember what the eighth part of the Scout Law is, don’t you?) Bonus points if you do it whilst in scout uniform!

**GAME:**

You are isolated from the other guests in the hotel and your only face-to-face interaction with anyone is when your food is delivered. The bellhop who has been delivering your food occasionally lets slip information on the other guests, and your patrol has decided to see if they can work out where everyone is in the hotel relative to everyone else. You managed to “borrow” a guest list when the bellhop wasn’t looking and know the names of all the other guests and their gender (remember your gender symbols). The hotel has six floors.

Visit [https://www.sporcle.com/games/Katie\_Wandering/apartment-building-logic-puzzle#](https://www.sporcle.com/games/Katie_Wandering/apartment-building-logic-puzzle) and use the clues to see if you can work out which floor everyone is staying on. Once you have completed the quiz (you can retake it if you run out of time) post the number of the floor that you think Ruth is staying on on your patrol WhatsApp Group. Feel free to share your thoughts, ideas and logic on your patrol WhatsApp group, bonus points for evidence of patrol cooperation in solving the puzzle.

It is suggested that you click on the link “How to Play” immediately above the quiz to get tips on how to play the quiz before you start. “Adjacent” refers to people as set out on the bellhop’s list (Adam is “adjacent” to Bryce, Gina and Felix for example). No guessing is required!

**PATROL POWER:**

Last week you prepared yourself as much as possible to help out once you are out of quarantine. Part of this was strengthening your patrol and you should have come up with a fun activity to run as a patrol, possibly with a view to recruiting a new member into your patrol. If you didn’t do this, decide on an activity now.

**This item could count towards Traveller Service Item 3 (Bring 2 friends to visit your troop meetings or troop activity). If they join scouts, it could count towards First Class Service Item 2ib (recruit 2 cubs or scouts)**

There is plenty you could do. How about an online treasure hunt? A patrol quiz night? A patrol online gaming competition? Visiting another troop online (try somewhere interesting, like a troop in another country) and doing a joint activity? The possibilities are endless.

Run your fun activity as a patrol and post some sort of proof that you have done so, such as a photo or screen-shots on your patrol WhatsApp group. **IF YOU GET A POTENTIAL RECRUIT TO MEANINGFULLY JOIN IN YOUR ACTIVITY YOU WILL DOUBLE YOUR POINTS FOR THIS ITEM OF THE PROGRAMME. EACH RECRUIT DOUBLES YOUR POINTS, SO 2 RECRUITS IS 4 X THE POINTS, 3 RECRUITS = 8 X THE POINTS ETC ETC!** The recruit only needs to do the fun activity that you planned to earn these bonus points, but can do this entire programme if they want. They will then earn points as if they were a member of your patrol.

**If your activity involves a friendship activity with a patrol from another troop, this can count towards First Class Personal Development Item 1viii**

**THE GREAT SOUTH AFRICAN BAKE-OFF**

As you learn more about the pandemic, you realise that a huge amount of people out there need help. A Scout’s duty is to be useful and to help others and that is exactly what your patrol is hoping to do.

You decide to run a formal patrol in council to plan what to do. But what is a meeting without snacks?

Bake yourself something delicious to enjoy during your meeting and post a picture of you baking or of you enjoying the fruits of your labour. If you live with another scout you can do this activity together, even if you are in different patrols, and obviously share your creation with your family.

If you don’t know what to bake, here is my favourite Chocolate Brownie recipe (there are two parts to it – the brownies and the icing for the brownies).

**Brownies**

Sift together 2 cups of flour and 2 cups of sugar in a mixing bowl.

Then place ½ cup of butter, ¼ cup of cocoa, ½ cup of oil and 1 cup of water in a saucepan and bring the ingredients to a rapid boil (stir regularly to keep from burning).

Once the mixture is properly mixed and boiling, pour it over the flour and sugar mixture and add in 2 lightly beaten eggs, 1 tsp vanilla essence, 1 tsp bicarb and ½ cup of buttermilk or plain yoghurt (buttermilk is generally cheaper). Mix this all together well

Pour this into a greased pan and bake at 180˚ C for about 45 min. I normally use a flat, shallow pan with plenty of surface area, so baking time may vary if your baking pan is a different shape. You can test the brownies with a knife (ask your parents if you are not sure how to do this).

**Icing for Brownies**

Bring the following to boil in a small pot: ¼ cup of butter, 2 tablespoons cocoa, 2 ½ tablespoons of buttermilk or plain yoghurt. Mix them well and stir to avoid burning.

Remove from heat and add 1 tsp vanilla and about 350 g of icing sugar (add icing sugar until you have a good consistency). Pour the icing over the brownies before they cool.

*Bon appetit!*

**THE MEETING:**

Take part in a formal Patrol in Council with your patrol (don’t forget to have your freshly-baked snack handy to enjoy during the meeting). Your Patrol Leader (or, if the PL is too busy with school work, the Patrol Second) will set up the meeting and determine what you will talk about, but one of the items you must discuss is a patrol good turn that you are going to run next week. If your meeting is held on or before Monday 25 May 2020 and you are in Gauteng remember to discuss the QuaranTiki competition (details in the Notices section below).

**Attending this meeting could count towards various items:**

**It is a requirement of the Scoutcraft Patrol Activities Badge, which counts towards Traveller Personal Development Item 2i**

**It counts towards Traveller Personal Development Item 1iv**

**It counts towards Discoverer Personal Development Item 1i**

Send the minutes of your meeting to your scouter when you are done OR post them on your WhatsApp Group to earn points for this item.

Make sure that everyone in your patrol can attend the meeting. Online meeting platforms like Zoom, Microsoft Teams or Discord are useful if everyone has access to a smartphone and a computer and has data. If that is not an option, consider a conference call or even just exchanging messages using WhatsApp or smses.

**Depending on your project, this could count towards various items:**

**Traveller Service Item 1**

**Discoverer Service Item 2i**

**First Class Service Item 1i**

**Springbok Service Item 2i**

A patrol good turn is something nice that you intend to do for someone or for the community. It should be meaningful and does not need to take days and days to do, though your senior members of the patrol may want to use this opportunity to run one of the service projects that they require for advancement.

During lockdown a patrol good turn can be difficult, but not impossible. You could do a fundraising drive to raise money for a worthy cause (a quiz evening that you can invite other patrols or troops to with an entry fee perhaps)? Or maybe you could organise a collection of food or winter items for the poor? How about a community awareness campaign about some pressing issue, a litter pick-up during your morning exercise or preparing an online programme for Cubs or Meerkats?

You will be doing your patrol good turn as part of next week’s programme.

**BLOGS:**

By now you know the story with updating your patrol blogs and personal diary. Bonus points will be awarded to patrols who continue to update their patrol blogs.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

* Have you considered attempting your Patrol Activities Scoutcraft Badge? Many of the items in this programme count towards this badge? The badge can be found at: <https://scoutwiki.scouts.org.za/index.php?title=Patrol_Activity_Scoutcraft_Badge>

**The Patrol Activities Scoutcraft Badge can count towards Traveller Personal Development Item 2i. If you lead your patrol to obtaining the badge, this can count towards First Class Personal Development Item 1i**

* This Distance Scouting Programme is an experiment. We would appreciate constructive feedback on the programme. Please send this to [andrew.campbell@scouts.org.za](mailto:andrew.campbell@scouts.org.za).

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